<u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 9, 14-16, and 30-46 were pending. By this amendment, claims 14-16 and 35-45 are cancelled and claim 34 is amended. Thus, upon entry of this Amendment, claims 9, 30-34 and 46 will be pending for consideration. No new matter has been added with this Amendment. Support for the claim amendments is found throughout the specification.

The foregoing amendments of the claims should in no way be construed as acquiescence to any of the Examiner's rejections and were made solely to expedite prosecution of the application, and in order to narrow the outstanding issues for appeal, if an appeal becomes necessary. Applicants reserve the right to pursue claims to the canceled subject matter, or any subject matter which they are entitled to claim, in this or a separate application.

REJECTIONS

Claim 34 is rejected. Applicants have amended claim 34 to delete the recitation of "solvates." Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection of claim 34.

CONCLUSION

In light of the above amendments and comments, Applicants respectfully request that all rejections and objections be withdrawn and that a timely Notice of Allowance should be issued in this application.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is necessary in order to place this application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

In the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2300 referencing docket number 030863-00011.

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